

IN THE CLAIMS:

1-27. (cancelled)

28. (new) A method for administration of at least one data object of a printer or copier, comprising the steps of:

storing at least data of a data object in a databank, and associating an identifier with the data object wherein the data object comprises at least one of the elements selected from a group consisting of a variable and a constant;

creating at least one first source code with a plurality of instructions in a programming language, said source code containing the identifier of the data object;

from said first source code generating a second source code with a plurality of instructions in the programming language, the identifier of the data object being replaced by at least one part of the data stored in the databank regarding said data object; and

generating a program code for execution in a control unit of the printer or copier with aid of the second source code.

29. (new) A method according to claim 28 wherein at least the first source code comprises a script created in a scripting language, the second source code being generated from the data contained in the databank with aid of the script.

30. (new) A method according to claim 28 wherein at least the first source code is created in a scripting language.

31. (new) A method according to claim 28 wherein the data of the data object comprises at least one of the elements selected from a group consisting of size, type, name, position within a data object structure, write/read rights, unit, limit values, and function calls for handling of the data object.

32. (new) A method according to claim 28 wherein the same identifier is associated with a plurality of data objects, and the identifier in the first source code is replaced by data of a plurality of data objects.

33. (new) A device for administration of at least one data object of a printer or copier, comprising:

a first storage region in which at least data of one data object are stored, wherein an identifier is associated with the data object and wherein the data object contains at least one of the elements selected from a group consisting of a variable and a constant;

a second storage region in which at least one first source code with a plurality of instructions is stored in a programming language, the source code containing the identifier of the data object;

the device generates from the first source code a second source code with a plurality of instructions in the programming language in which the identifier of the data object is replaced by at least a part of the data stored regarding said data object; and

the device generates a program code for execution in a control unit of the printer or copier with aid of the second source code.